

REMARKS

Claim 32 has been amended to comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

Claims 1-3, 5-11, 26 and 30-32 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over Claims 1-7, 16-18, 28, 31 and 32 of U.S. Patent No. 6,555,628.

A terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321 (c) will be filed once the recorded Assignment is received to overcome the provisional rejection based on the nonstatutory double patenting ground.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the claims are now considered to be in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance of Claims 1, 2, 3, 5-8, 26 and 30-32 is respectfully requested.

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